

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**



Application No. : 09/005,006 Confirmation No. : 1954  
Applicant : SHUICHI KANNO, et al.  
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Examiner : Ngoc Nguyen  
Docket No. : ASA-695 (056203.50311)  
Customer No. : 23911  
Title : PROCESS FOR TREATING FLUORINE COMPOUND-  
CONTAINING GAS

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 23, 2003.

This reply is accompanied by a Petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.